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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

Prior Application Art Unit: 1646 Prior Application Examiner: O. Chernyshev

SIR: This is a request for filing a ☒ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/608,297 filed June 30, 2000 of Franz-Josef RUBRÖDER, et al. for PROCESS FOR THE STABILIZATION OF PROTEINS IN COMPLEX MIXTURES DURING THEIR STORAGE IN AQUEOUS SOLVENTS.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/608,297 as originally filed on June 30, 2000, which is incorporated herein by reference.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3. ☐ Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
4. ☒ Cancel Claims 2 - 22.
5. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended above.

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$740	\$ \$740.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	1	-	20	0	x \$18	
Independent Claims	1	-	3	0	x \$80	
<input type="checkbox"/> Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s)					+\$270	
Subtotal						\$ 740.00
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						-
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$ 740.00

6. ☒ A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

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7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the following new paragraph:

This is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/608,297, filed June 30, 2000, which claims priority to German Application No. 19930676.1, filed July 2, 1999, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

9. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.

10. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to: Aventis Pharma Deutschland GmbH, recorded at Reel 010911, Frame 0321 on September 1, 2000.

11. ☒ Priority of application Serial No. 19930676.1, filed on July 2, 1999, in the Federal Republic of Germany is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy is on file in the prior application.

12. ☐ Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.

13. ☒ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.

14. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the following: FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P., Customer Number 22,852. Douglas B. Henderson, Reg. No. 20,291; Ford F. Farabow, Jr., Reg. No. 20,630; Arthur S. Garrett, Reg. No. 20,338; Donald R. Dunner, Reg. No. 19,073; Brian G. Brunsvold, Reg. No. 22,593; Tipton D. Jennings, IV, Reg. No. 20,645; Jerry D. Voight, Reg. No. 23,020; Laurence R. Hefter, Reg. No. 20,827; Kenneth E. Payne, Reg. No. 23,098; Herbert H. Mintz, Reg. No. 26,691; C. Larry O'Rourke, Reg. No. 26,014; Albert J. Santorelli, Reg. No. 22,610; Michael C. Elmer, Reg. No. 25,857; Richard H. Smith, Reg. No. 20,609; Stephen L. Peterson, Reg. No. 26,325; John M. Romary, Reg. No. 26,331; Bruce C. Zotter, Reg. No. 27,680; Dennis P. O'Reilley, Reg. No. 27,932; Allen M. Sokal, Reg. No. 26,695; Robert D. Bajefsky, Reg. No. 25,387; Richard L. Stroup, Reg. No. 28,478; David W. Hill, Reg. No. 28,220; Thomas L. Irving, Reg. No. 28,619; Charles E. Lipsey, Reg. No. 28,165; Thomas W. Winland, Reg. No. 27,605; Basil J. Lewis, Reg. No. 28,818; Martin I. Fuchs, Reg. No. 28,508; E. Robert Yoches, Reg. No. 30,120; Barry W. Graham, Reg. No. 29,924; Susan Haberman Griffen, Reg. No. 30,907; Richard B. Racine, Reg. No. 30,415; Thomas H. Jenkins, Reg. No. 30,857; Robert E. Converse, Jr., Reg. No. 27,432; Clair X. Mullen, Jr., Reg. No. 20,348; Christopher P. Foley, Reg. No. 31,354; John C. Paul, Reg. No. 30,413; David M. Kelly, Reg.

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16. ☐ Recognize as associate attorney _____
17. ☐ Also enclosed is _____

PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, serial no. 09/608,297, filed June 30, 2000, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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Dated: November 21, 2001

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